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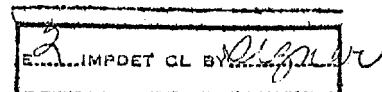
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1. (Unclassified - GLC) Dr. Herb Rothenberg, OSI, called regarding the inquiry we received from Ed Bauser, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, on carbon fibers (destructoriam) and suggested the names of Lt. Colonel Nelson Conner and Jerome Persh, DOD, as possible points of contact in the Pentagon for Bauser.
2. (Unclassified - GLC) Bob Dockery, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called to say Senators Pell and Javits are making preparations for their trip to Cuba and Pell would like an informal intelligence briefing sometime Wednesday, 25 September in the afternoon. He said he was uncertain as to whether Javits would also be present. I told Dockery I would check on this and be back in touch with him.
3. (Confidential - GLC) The Director advised of his weekly call to Chairman Stennis, Senate Armed Services Committee, and mentioned that he wants to send a letter to the Chairman stating his (the Director's) position on his responsibility to our Subcommittees, i.e., he is not only responsible for keeping them fully informed but also of advising them of matters which we feel would be of interest to them. The Director said he talked with Stennis about the Abourezk amendment and the Senator suggested the Director offer to talk further with Abourezk about it.
4. (Unclassified - GLC) John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called and asked if I would drop by to see him when it is convenient.
5. (Unclassified - GLC) Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, called regarding a letter Chairman McClellan has received from FBI Director Kelly referring to the "special report of interagency committee on intelligence--ad hoc" and asked if I knew whether they had a copy of the report. I told him this was the so-called Tom Charles Houston item which he should find in Volume I of the sensitive material which we provided the Committee.

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6. (Unclassified - GLC) I called Senator James Abourezk about his amendment to the Foreign Assistance bill precluding activities involving foreign police, prisons and internal security services. I told the Senator I thought our differences on this subject could be resolved. I said I understood his concern was that CIA or other agencies might be called upon to pick up programs which AID would be prohibited from continuing under the amendment. I assured him we had no desire or intention to get involved in such programs. I told him our concern centered on the fact that the amendment as drawn was so broad it would preclude our intelligence contacts with these organizations. Abourezk assured me in turn that he had no desire to prohibit such programs and said if we would agree to the reinsertion of the phrase "under any other law" in his amendment he would make it clear by legislative history or by specific wording in the amendment that this amendment was not intended to prohibit such activities. I told the Senator we had a letter in preparation to him in response to his earlier inquiry and I would "tinker with it" to see what we could do along these lines.

7. (Confidential - GLC) Handcarried to Chairman John Stennis, Senate Armed Services Committee, an envelope from the Director and copies of the drafts of the exchanges of letters which the Senator requested from the Director on the subject of the amendments to the National Security Act.

8. (Confidential - GLC) Met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and advised him of my conversation with Senator Abourezk and he asked that we make a copy of our letter to Abourezk available to Braswell first thing tomorrow. I advised Braswell that I had just left with Chairman Stennis copies of the drafts of the exchanges of letters which the Senator asked the Director to prepare on the subject of the amendments to the National Security Act (I also left copies of these drafts with Braswell for his information).

9. (Confidential - JGO) Talked to Bill Ashworth, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and scheduled a meeting for 2:00 p. m., Tuesday, 24 September for a briefing on Soviet views on limited nuclear warfare and aircraft procurement by the Middle East Arab nations. Mel Rose and Fritz Ermarth, OSR, have been advised.

10. (Confidential - JGO) Talked to Frank Sullivan, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and rescheduled the meeting with Bob Brown, DC/EA, to 9:30 a. m., Wednesday, 25 September. See Item #5, 17 September Journal.

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11. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Norvill Jones, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and told him we had a letter coming forward ✓ to Senator James Abourezk (D., S. Dak.) on his amendment relating to "or any other funds" and that we would get a copy to him as soon as it is delivered. I told him in part that Mr. Cary had talked to Senator Abourezk and had assured him personally that the Agency would not be undertaking any AID programs terminated by the legislation. Jones indicated that the bill is scheduled to come up tomorrow but that this is soft.

As we parted, he reminded me that this office had promised a package for his use in completing the Committee report on the Muskie ✓ "surveillance legislation".

12. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the 19 September 1974 request for approval of additional payment to Lao POW returnees. Preston asked for a paper on this for use in briefing Chairman George H. Mahon (D., Texas).

I discussed with him luncheon plans at the Agency on Wednesday, 25 September, and his meeting with the Financial Management Seminar that afternoon and gave him an outline of the program.

Preston and I discussed again a visit to NPIC by Representative William E. Minshall (R., Ohio) and himself. Preston indicated that Minshall is most interested and he will discuss the subject with Minshall at his first opportunity.

✓ In passing Preston mentioned there had been some discussion during a conference on the Defense Appropriations bill about possible inclusion of statements or caveats relating to CIA and covert action. Each point was resolved completely in the Agency's favor. No statement was included in the report about the matter.

13. (Unclassified - PLC) Bob Harmel, OMB, called in regard to our prior written comments to OMB on 12 June 1974 concerning their ✓ 20 May 1974 alternate draft to H. R. 12206, granting individuals access to Government records concerning them. He questioned why we had provided figures on all our records since OMB had granted us an exemption; I explained that OMB had asked that we provide figures with and without an exemption so they could better judge the full impact of the bill. He asked what our cost factor would be with an exemption. I said it would be near zero.

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14. (Confidential - LLM) In connection with the Director's proposed reply to Senator Abourezk's letter concerning the impact of the Senator's amendment No. 1511 to S. 3394 (Foreign Assistance Act), I spoke with George Gilbert, OMB; Bud McFarlane, NSC Staff; and Art Gardiner, General Counsel, AID. McFarlane and Gardiner had no problem with the proposed reply and the latter said he had assumed that we had certain programs which might be affected even by the narrower language, explaining this was the reason why they had not contacted Abourezk directly on his amendments. Gardiner said that certain essential reimbursable programs with the Saudi Arabians and Venezuelans were not affected by the Abourezk amendment and their concern is that it not be broadened to affect them. Gilbert earlier had taken up my suggestion in view of his press of business that we contact directly Justice, AID, and the NSC, but he would like copies of the Director's letter to Senator Abourezk for following through with formal clearance. I also alerted the above to the new Abourezk amendment involving violation of the U. S. or foreign laws which is apparently aimed at covert action with an exception for "intelligence gathering."

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15. (Internal Use Only - KKH) Received a call from Mrs. Weber,



16. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Called Bill Skidmore, OMB, to alert him that we were submitting comments to the Subcommittee reported version of H. R. 16373, the right of privacy bill, which had been furnished to me yesterday by Jim Kronfeld, Staff Counsel, House Government Operations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Government Information. I gave Skidmore the gist of our comments. Since the full Committee meets tomorrow, Skidmore requested that our report state that time did not permit clearance with OMB. He also suggested that we discuss the changes with Frank Reeder, OMB, who is principally involved in H. R. 16373. [Redacted] later placed a call to Reeder, but it was not returned.

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